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Microsoft was found guilty of monopolistic practices. Enron was on the edge of accounting rules. Microsoft went over the edge in dealing with competitors and PC manufacturerers. They are delaying a just penalty. They offer to give \$1 Billion in software to schools. In 1969 one of the issues in the antitrust case against IBM was that they were selling or giving away computers to Universities. Microsoft has the chutzpah to say this is a good deed when it is nothing more than a marketing ploy to get into k-12 schools. The bundling of Internet Explorer into Windows without permitting PC manufacturers from deleting it was a predatory action against Netscape. When a powerful company offers something free that competes with a product or service of a small company that is predatory. When it looks like a skunk and smells like a skunk it s a skunk.